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Applicant : M. Samy Abdou . Art Unit : 3733
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Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND PETITION FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION

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Applicant hereby petitions under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for a 2 month extension of time.						<u>\$225</u>
TOTAL FEE DUE						\$225

A check for \$225 is attached.

Respectfully submitted,


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